

#### SB 25-207: REPEAL CERTAIN RODENT PEST CONTROL STATUTES

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Fiscal note status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, which was recommended by the Joint

Budget Committee as part of the FY 2025-26 Long Bill budget package.

## **Summary Information**

**Overview.** The bill repeals statutes regarding rodent pest control in the Department of Agriculture.

No fiscal impact. The bill has no fiscal impact on state or local government.

**Appropriations.** No appropriation is required.

# Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

	Current Year	<b>Budget Year</b>
Type of Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

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## **Summary of Legislation**

Under current law, the Department of Agriculture (CDA) has the authority to eradicate rodents including jackrabbits, prairie dogs, ground squirrels, pocket gophers, and rats in participation with the federal government, counties, and private landowners. The bill repeals these rodent control statutes, including the Rodent Pest Control Fund, beginning July 1, 2025.

## **Assessment of No Fiscal Impact**

When the Rodent Pest Control Fund was initially created in 1927, it received General Fund appropriations to purchase and sell rodent poison to farmers and livestock owners, and then proceeds from sales were deposited in the cash fund. The cash fund hasn't received revenue since at least 2018, and CDA is not currently operating a rodent control program. Any remaining funds will be transferred in a separate budget package bill. Thus, this bill will not affect state or local government expenditures and is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

#### **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

### **State and Local Government Contacts**

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